

A CENTURY AGO

Congress First Assembled in the City of Washington.

Just a hundred years have passed since the Congress of the United States first assembled in Washington, and the formal transfer of the national capital to that point took place, the centennial of which is to be elaborately celebrated on December 12. Along until the time that Washington was selected for the seat of government of the United States this country had almost a dozen capitals. The meeting place of the Continental Congress during the revolution fitted almost as actively as did the headquarters of the army's commander. Its location was often determined by the exigencies of war and the necessity for keeping it out of the hands of the British. Washington, as the first President, was inaugurated at New York, though the constitution was framed at Philadelphia, which was the capital at that time, 1787, as it became the capital later on. In 1790 the present site on the Potomac was selected. When the Sixth Congress closed its first session on May 14, 1800, in Philadelphia, it adjourned to meet in the new City of Washington, and the second session opened there on November 17 of that year. This transfer of the seat of government from Philadelphia to Washington a hundred years ago is the event which is to be celebrated at the national capital on December 12.

Nothing in the rise and development of any other nation in history is at all comparable with the transformation which has taken place in the United States in the century which has passed since the seat of government was first located at its present site. The nation's first chief magistrate, for whom the capital city was named, had died a few months earlier; John Adams, then President, was about to leave that office a third of a year later, and Jefferson, the then Vice President, was to take the place, and start the era of Democratic supremacy in the national government which continued, with two short periods of interruption, down to the eve of the war of secession. John Eager Howard, of Maryland, the most distinguished member of his family in America, was chosen President of the Senate a few days after Congress met for the first time at Washington, and Theodore Sedgwick, of Massachusetts, was Speaker of the House. The Senate had thirty-two members then and the House 138. Among the Senators who were then distinguished or who became so later were Humphrey Marshall, of Kentucky, a member of a family well known in the annals of that state down to the civil war days; Howard, of Maryland, already mentioned; Jonathan Morris, of New York, one of the most prominent of the framers of the constitution; Charles Pinckney, of South Carolina, and Jefferson's close friends, Stephens Thompson Mason and Wilson Cary Nicholas, of Virginia. The well-known Representatives included Levi Lincoln and Harrison Gray Otis, of Massachusetts; Harper, Rutledge and Sumner, of South Carolina; Matthew Lyon, of Vermont, and John Marshall, of Virginia, who resigned before the session was completed to take his place as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

The Governors of all of the states are to participate in the festivities at Washington which are to mark the completion of the hundred years since the transfer of the national capital to that site. While there were only sixteen states in the Union then, there are forty-five now. The country's population has grown from 5,000,000 at that time to 76,000,000 today. Less than 500,000 of this population of 1800 was west of the Alleghenies. The country's territory extended only to the east bank of the Mississippi then, and not all of that bank belonged to us, Spain owned Florida, with a strip of territory stretching from the western end of the present State of Florida onward to the Mississippi along the southern ends of today's States of Alabama and Mississippi and the eastern projection of the State of Louisiana. The archives of the government when they were transferred from Philadelphia to Washington were conveyed by a sloop. The members of the executive and the legislative branches of the government reached the capital by wagons or on horseback. Steam for the purposes of navigation was a dream of Rumsey, Fitch and a few others whom their contemporaries thought to be infected with a mild form of insanity. Fulton's Clermont did not make its appearance until seven years later, and not till more than a quarter of a century later did the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad start its first cars drawn by horses or driven by sails on the wooden tracks of that time. Buffalo, Cleveland and Pittsburgh were the far West. The whole physical, social and political face of the United States has been profoundly changed in the hundred years which have passed since the nation's capital was first planted among the alder bushes and morasses on the Potomac's banks.



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CIRCUIT RACES.

AT CINCINNATI.

Newport, Ky., Nov. 28.—Track muddy. Tomorrow is the last day of the meeting and will end the racing season on the local tracks.

Seven furlongs: Prince, first; W. G. Welch, second; Soudana, third. Time, 1:54.

Five and one-half furlongs: Uterp, first; Flop, second; Orrie Goan, third. Time, 1:12½.

Six furlongs: Ben Frost, first; Agitator, second; Avator, third. Time, 1:20.

Five and one-half furlongs: Lenox, first; The Covenanter, second; May Cherry, third. Time, 1:11½.

Six furlongs: Fairy Dell, first; Fulminate, second; Aberdale, third. Time, 1:19½.

AT WASHINGTON.

Washington, Nov. 28.—Four favorites won at Benning's.

Five and one-half furlongs: Lexington Pirate, first; Imp Art, second; Gov. and Oak, third. Time, 1:10 2-5.

Six and one-half furlongs: Amorita, first; Flanner, second; Salvaleta, third. Time, 1:25.

Hurdle handicap, one and three-quarter miles, seven hurdles: Perlon, first; McFonso, second; Sir Dick, third. Time, 3:24 4-5.

Five and one-half furlongs: Leon Ferguson, first; Magic Light, second; Charles Estes, third. Time, 1:53 1-5.

Seven furlongs: Orienta, first; Blue Skin, second; Hand Vise, third. Time, 1:30.

Six furlongs: Lady Contrary, first; Fluke, second; Miss Mitchell, third. Time, 1:17.

OPENING AT NEW ORLEANS.

By Associated Press. New Orleans, Nov. 28.—Everything is in readiness for the winter meeting of the Crescent City Jockey Club, which begins tomorrow. The meeting promises to be the best ever held here. Five races are on the card for tomorrow, including a \$1500 inaugural handicap, well filled.

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On Saturday a cordial invitation is extended to the ladies of Marietta to attend the Brainerd and Armstrong Special Embroidery Silk Display at the Art Embroidery Store, 125 Putnam street.

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Some Observations.

A traveling salesman of one of the wholesale firms of the city, thinking he had a good joke, attempted to spring it on one of the other employees of the firm when he came in from his route.

The story goes that a young lady in the car was seen to remove her shoes and turn her stockings and then again put on her shoes.

Upon being asked the reason she answered that her feet were warm and she thought that if she turned the hose on them it would cool them off.

When this particular drummer told it he became mixed and said that she answered that if she turned her stockings wrong side out it would cool her feet.

As no one seemed to see the point he was asked to explain but could not do it and some one else was called upon to kindly explain the joke.

Certain Chicago doctors have come to the conclusion that big brains go with big bodies. It has long been thought that in the matter of gray matter it was quality and not quantity that counted.

A Georgia newspaper, The Walker County "Messenger," has this notice to subscribers:

For a short time I will take stove wood on subscription to "Messenger." I don't know just how long I will be in condition to do this, so if anyone wishes to pay for their paper in this way, let them come right along while the opportunity is extended.

And the Whittier "Courier" man has a similar notice in his local columns, only he covers the entire ground:

I will take anything except castor oil on subscription—from a razor-back shoot to a government mule. Come while we sing!

"I have a prescription clerk in my employ who is something of a humorist," said a druggist yesterday. "He came to me this morning with a very long face and said: 'I'm afraid we are going to lose Mrs. Smith's trade.' 'Mrs. Smith,' said I, 'Who is Mrs. Smith?' 'Great Scott!' he exclaimed, 'Don't you know who Mrs. Smith is? Why she comes in here every afternoon. She is one of our most regular customers. I hope you won't be offended, but I'm afraid I am to blame for losing her trade.' That sort of made me anxious, and I asked what the trouble was. 'Well, you see, it's this way,' said the clerk. 'Every afternoon Mrs. Smith comes in for a two-cent postage stamp. She came in as usual yesterday, when I was busy putting up a prescription, and was all alone in the store. I kept her waiting for a while, and when I finally went to her she was fairly boiling over with rage. She said that if she couldn't get waited on promptly she would have to buy her stamps somewhere else!'"

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UNUSUALLY LARGE

Were the Contributions From the Scholars in the Public Schools.

Each year on the day before Thanksgiving contributions are received from the scholars in the public schools for the poor of the city. The articles, which include clothing, canned goods and all sorts of eatables were brought to the schools yesterday morning. The contributions were larger than of former years. The articles contributed will be taken charge of by the Associated Charities. Men were kept busy all day yesterday removing the perishable articles to a number of groceries where a receipt for their value will be given. Groceries of equivalent value will then be distributed as called for.

What Shall We Have for Dessert? This question arises in the family every day. Let us answer it today. Try Jell-O, a delicious dessert. Prepared in two minutes. No baking! Add hot water and set to cool. Flavors:—Lemon, Orange, Raspberry and Strawberry. At your grocers. 10 cents.

Cut the Wires.

The steamer Lorena cut the wires of the Hayes-Harvey telephone line above the Putnam street bridge yesterday morning as she passed down the Muskingum. Telephone connection with the west end of the county is therefore broken.

"Cure the cough and save the life." Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup cures coughs and colds, down to the very verge of consumption.

He Chose the Widow.

(Topeka Journal.)

Wichita, Kan.—The fact that Chas. Meng was threatened with a breach of promise suit did not deter him from marrying Mrs. H. J. Devaughan in Wichita the other evening. Mrs. Devaughan was a wealthy widow, of Mt. Hope, this county, and Meng was her chief gardener. Meng admits that about three years ago he was engaged to marry Miss Jessie Fisher, of Iola, Allen county. When the latter learned that her former fiancé was about to marry the Widow Devaughan she took the first train for Mt. Hope and pleaded with Mrs. Devaughan to refuse to marry Meng, adding, it is alleged, that if she would do so she (Miss Fisher) could easily win him over.

The two women decided to leave it to the man in the case. He chose the widow. The three then boarded a train for Wichita, the widow and Meng to procure a marriage license and Miss Fisher to consult an attorney. En route Miss Fisher again requested Meng to marry her, and when he again refused she created a scene on the train and threatened to bring proceedings at once.

When the widow and Meng arrived at the Court House the former became somewhat alarmed and refused to be married until County Attorney Amidon assured her that Miss Fisher could not involve her in any suit.

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A pastoral, natural drama, flavored with the breezy local color of Tennessee life, and permeated with the soft southern atmosphere of its valleys, described as "A Romance of Coon Hollow," which has been one of the substantial triumphs of the last six seasons. This success is in part due to the magnificent scenic effects, among which are a realistic steamboat race between the R. E. Lee and the Natchez, and a cotton press in actual operation. But the play meets favor with thoughtful people on worthier grounds. It is splendidly constructed, the characters are flesh and blood beings, the plot is very dramatic and interesting, and the humor genuinely funny without being farcical. A number of extrinsic features lend interest to the production. The electrical effects, showing a night in a Southern country place, are novel and pretty. A "red hot" troop of darky male and female plantation dancers, and an excellent vocal quartette, add volume to the entertainment. "Coon Hollow" will be seen at the Auditorium tonight.

L. M. LUCHS, Mgr.

The Al. G. Field Greater Minstrels are the leading organization in their line. The company numbers fifty people and use their own train of special cars. Minstrelsy, like everything else in these rapid days, tends to magnify. The Al. G. Field Greater Minstrels in the sixteenth year of its existence is a good illustration of the growth of Minstrelsy. Auditorium, Saturday night, Dec. 1st. Seats on sale at Beagle & Lytle's Drug Store this morning.

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Harry D. Baker.

Died, on Moss Run, Nov. 18th, Harry D., only child of David and Maggie Baker, aged ten months and two days. Our darling little one has gone. A voice we loved is still; But little Harry sweetly sleeps Where sorrow never comes.

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For the public schools of Washington County will be held in the Marietta High School Room on the second Saturday of each month, except January, July and August.

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Moore-Clark.

Mr. Robert K. Moore and Miss Alice Clark were married Tuesday evening at the Presbyterian parsonage by Rev. W. E. Roe. The wedding was a complete surprise to the friends of the contracting parties, who, while they knew it was soon to take place, did not expect the event to occur before Thanksgiving.

The groom is the popular agent for the United States Express Co. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Clark, of the West Side. The Leader extends congratulations.

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